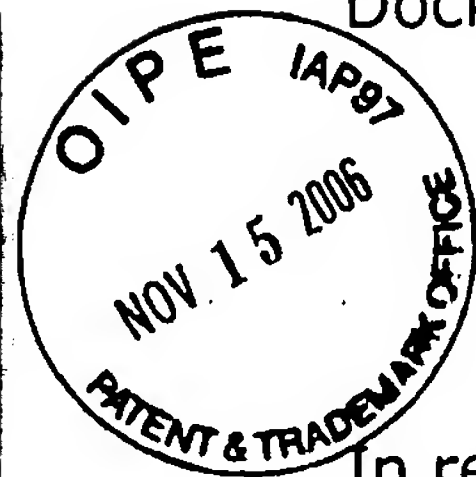


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AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
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November 15, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2006, please amend
the application as follows: